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The watercraft that plied the swamps of Louisiana for centuries took many shapes. Crafted from native woods. they were designed for specific needs. Wanted these days only by purists, there is a small band of craftsmen keeping the legacy alive.

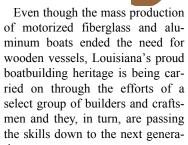
Louisiana's wetlands consist of more than 3 million acres of lakes, bays, bayous, sloughs, swamps and marshes and it's no accident the maritime culture that evolved from this habitat adapted a variety of Native American and European boats to serve their needs.

Today's boatmen can rattle off the names of the fishing centers with ease: Atchafalaya, Henderson, Belle River, Fourchon, Madisonville, Pass Manchac,

on a egac Pierre Part, Lake Verret and Grand Isle. Nearly all of these fishing holes have some type of retail boat-

ing establishment or custom aluminum boat builders in the vicinity, but it wasn't that long ago that skilled craftsmen, equipped with the intrinsic knowledge of tradition and familiarity with the local waters, hand-built the wooden skiffs, pirogues, bateaus, and luggers that conquered Louisiana's waterways.

Thomas Colvin of Mandeville trims a mahogany rib on his lake skiff (above). Faren Serrette of Cecilia demonstrates the standing rowing technique used to propel a Pierre Part skiff on display at Vermilionville in Lafayette.



Two builders, from very different parts of Louisiana, came about their skills in different ways.

Thomas Colvin lives and works as a custom millworker in Mandeville on the northshore of Lake Pontchartrain.

The 57-year-old craftsmen was

attracted to boatbuilding in the early '60s when he saw the dugout pirogues of his first mentor, Louis Barbier of Pass Manchac. "Louis wasn't a boatbuilder, his father was," explained Colvin. "I saw some of the dugouts his father built and that got me interested, but Louis told me how to build one."

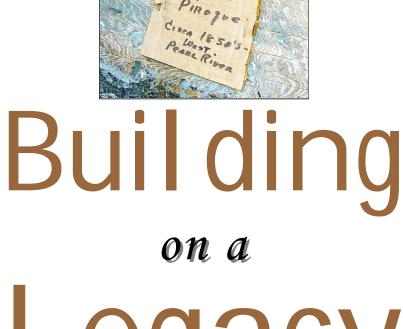
Colvin chuckles about his first dugout. "It was shaped like a banana and it was very easy to tip over," he said.

Eventually, Colvin acquired the woodworking implements the Barbiers used to build dugouts. Some of the tools were handmade and dated back to the 1840s.

Colvin later honed his dugout building skills after instruction from Chitimachan Indians in the Houma area.

In dugout construction, a cypress log's core is chopped out using a hatchet-like tool called an adze. Sometimes the wood is carefully burned out and scraped until all that is left is the actual pirogue. In Colvin's early dugout efforts, he drilled holes in the log at the beginning of the process to alert him when the proper hull thickness had been reached.

"When I put one of my dugout pirogues in the water near Pierre See Boat building, page 2





Swamp-buggy flotilla

A variety of vessels evolved over several centuries like vessel for their uses. By the 20th century the lakes and a flat-bottomed boat, while stable, was too slow to traverse wide expanses of open water. And sometimes the early settlers found that a good old Indian dugout pirogue was the best mode of transportation through the swamp.

The many waters of Louisiana became the mother of invention and a variety of different boat designs evolved to conquer the wetlands.

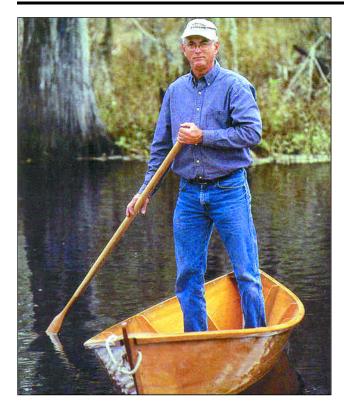
The *pirogue*, originally a cypress tree trunk dugout crafted by the ingenious use of fire and scrapers and often 30 feet in length, was capable of transporting several tons of supplies. The European settlers brought sharpened steel tools and refined the canoe-

to exploit Louisiana's vast coastline. A deep draught dugout pirogue had become the tool of the lone vessel did not necessarily work in the shallow mud swamper and was only 14 feet long, easily carried by one person. Cypress logs large enough to build a dugout became scarce and new materials such as cypress planks, marine plywood, fiberglass and sheet aluminum were introduced and became the norm.

> The basic form developed by the Louisiana aboriginals has remained the same through the centuries.

> Pirogue builders boast that their vessels can glide across water so shallow they can "float on the morn-

> The New Orleans oyster *lugger* evolved from the old ship-to-shore vessel called a canot (with the final "t" pronounced). Canot is the general French term See Flotilla, page 2



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for a ship's auxiliary craft.

The rounded-hull boat, also called longboats, launches, chaloupes, gigs, pinnaces and skiffs, were not only equipped with oars for rowing, but equipped with a four-cornered lugsail as well.

By the 20th century, immigrant Croatian oystermen adapted the sail-rigged canot or "lugger" for oyster harvesting. Even though the gasoline engine began replacing the sail after 1912, the shallow-draft coastal boat retained the name "lugger."

Another small boat introduced to south Louisiana waters by the French was known as the *esquif* or *skiff*. The Creole skiff, which featured a joug (yoke) that elevated the oars high above the gunnels, enabled a standing oarsman (see photo, p.1) to pilot the boat while facing the bow. It was the only boat in North America that allowed the oarsmen to see his direction of travel

Directly descended from the boatbuilding traditions of southern France, the skiff was adapted to the peculiarities of the Louisiana waters from locale to locale. The Manchac skiff, Barataria skiff, Mississippi River Skiff, Atchafalaya Basin skiff, Pierre Part skiff and the Pontchartrain Lake skiff were basically the same boat with minor variations. For instance, the Atchafalaya skiff did not have a connecting plank or bar between the joug as the Pierre Part skiff did.

The rowing skiff, once a common sight on the bayou, is rare today.

The flat-bottomed boat, or *chaland*, as the French called them, has been in use in Louisiana since the early colonial days. The flat bottom, along with its blunt bow and stern, gave the chaland stability that was well suited for Louisiana's typically calm inland waters. The English called this type of boat a scow or punt.

The barge like vessel, used as ferries, floating house foundations and utility vessels, varied greatly in size and function. *See Flotilla, page 10*



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Part, an old Chitimachan said, 'We don't put holes in our dugouts.' They taught me a technique where I didn't have to drill a hole in the wood to gauge the thickness."

Colvin learned the nuances of lake skiff building from Louis Vial and the late Eugene Glockner, Sr. of Mandeville.

"Mr. Glockner was the best skiff builder in this area when I first learned from him, and Mr. Vial was a terrific hands-on teacher" said Colvin. "Wood boatbuilding was still common in the '60s, although all the cypress was cut out by this time."

Colvin is currently building a Pontchartrain Lake skiff at his woodworking shop in Mandeville.

He said folks who simply want an old-fashioned wooden boat and some boat collectors buy his boats. "Some years I get five or six orders for skiffs and sometimes I don't get any," Colvin said.

Faren Serrette, the son of an Atchafalaya fisherman, first learned about boat building in Henderson, a tiny fishing town nestled along the western Atchafalaya protection levee in St. Martin Parish.

"My dad and my grandfather built boats for a lot of people. They built barges, bateaus, skiffs and pirogues for a lot of people on the river," he said.

Serrette and his son David, a junior at Lafayette High School, are building a 24-foot bateau or *chaland*, a typical barge-like working vessel that could handle both the deep water of the Atchafalaya River and the shallow backwaters of the basin. The flat-bottomed boats were adapted for many uses in addition to fishing. They were used as transports, mail boats, barges and fish buying vessels. The early versions used an in-board eight horsepower engine and were called "puttputts." They were easily adaptable to outboard motors when those became popular.

The *chaland* the Serrettes are building is part of a working exhibition at Vermilionville, a Cajun and Creole Folklife park in Lafayette. It is a replica of the type of vessel that was used as a "school bus" boat to bring Depression era children from the remote Cow Island area to school in Butte La Rose.

Serrette remembered his first boatbuilding effort as a young boy in the '70s. It was an eight-foot plywood flat-bottomed bateau that he used to catch crawfish.

"I used to drag it overland from my house to the crawfish ponds in the back," he said. "I remember having all my set nets baited before heading out. I'd pull it behind me in the ponds, fish all day and then sell the crawfish. It leaked, but it didn't matter

"My dad and his brothers built boats. My uncle, A.J., started making commercial aluminum push boats, barges and crew boats. He did a lot of work for the oil industry," Serrette

He shied away from his uncle's aluminum boat business. "Too loud," he said. "Out of high school I worked as a carpenter. I preferred woodworking."

Serrette's father, Milton, was invited to build an Atchafalaya Basin "putt-putt" in a Louisiana boatbuilding exhibition at the 1984 World's Fair in New Orleans. Colvin was also invited to the fair to build a lake skiff.

Serrette apprenticed under his father during the project and also learned a lot from Colvin and other master boatbuilders gathered for the exhibition.

"It got more and more interesting to me after that. I started looking into it more and began building replicas," said Serrette. "I built a lot of pirogues since then, mostly showpieces."

Thomas Colvin steers his hand-built cypress pirogue in Bayou Castine near Mandeville. Faren Serrette and son David build a replica of a "school bus" bateau. Colvin built the lake skiff (left) for the 1984 World's Fair. Beside the skiff is a ca. 1850 dugout pirogue Colvin recovered from Pearl River. Serrette used all hand tools to build the pirogues (right) on display at Vermilionville.



Dr. Ray Brassieur, a cultural anthropologist from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, was instrumental in organizing the World's Fair Exhibition and supervised the boat building construction.

Brassieur said Louisiana boatbuilding is unique in several respects.

"It's the construction method that's the tradition," said Brassieur. "Other cultures used models or line drawings to build from, but the Cajuns modeled from full-size."

"They don't start with a plan. They start out with the two sides of the boat and some false frames," explained Brassieur. "They start from the outside in. That's the traditional way they build a boat in south Louisiana."

The different boats Serrette and Colvin are building each have specific characteristics that identify them with the waterways they'll be working.

Colvin's current boat project is the result of the evolution of the lake skiff that was designed with the rougher waters of Lake Ponchartrain in mind. It has a wider transom, giving it a greater stability, and has a little more sheer in the bow than a Pierre Part skiff. Both are important characteristics, given the ever-changing wave conditions of the lake.

Serrette's *chaland* is a practical boat that offered stability on flat water for swamp dwellers to work and transport livestock, fish and supplies through the still waters of the lower Atchafalaya Basin. The flat-bottomed boat was designed to plow through the often-shallow water infested with hyacinths and duckweed.

Serrette and Colvin were again brought together in 1986 to build a replica of an oyster lugger at the Center for Traditional Louisiana Boatbuilding at Nicholls State University in Thibodaux. Colvin's teacher, Vial, was invited to participate as well as Elie Guidry, an elderly master boatbuilder from Terrebonne Parish, who was one of the few individuals that remembered the construction of the sailing lugger in detail. Guidry's knowledge was passed on to Colvin and Serrette, who today have their own protégés they are instructing.

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Paso Fino, reg. 18 yr. chestnut geld., beautiful gait, Slidell area, \$1000. Bruce Wallis, New Orleans; (504) 483-7775.

AQHA blk. colt, very gentle, will make excel. pleasure horse, good stud prospect, sire: Rom Pleasure, dam: AQHA points, \$1500; APHA mares, good riding, showing or broodmares, \$3500. L. Kurz, Folsom; (985) 796-0555.

Reg. pb Arabians, at stud, Egyptian/Spanish bloodlines, show quality, blk., 15.2+ hands, excel. temperament, foals to show & for sale, \$500/1-up. Donavan Stoute, Opelousas; (337) 585-2642.

2003 APHA tobiano colt, brown/wh., working horse bloodline, halter broke, \$1000. Duane Wilson, Slaughter; (225) 683-3044.

2001 AQHA bay mare, Incentive Fund, well started to go pleasure & judged events, Doc O'Mos & Simply Hot breeding, \$5500. Kelly Parrish, St. Martinville; (337) 229-3093.

1997 AQHA bay, working mare w/a classy colt, dbl. Skippa, by King's stud & rebred to same, \$2500/\$1500; 20 mos. APHA geld. by same mare, \$1000; 20 mos. AQHA geld., by own son of Skippa mare above, \$1500, all haltered & gentle, no Sunday trades. Harold Loewer, Eunice; (337) 457-4487.

Paint horses, 18 yr., tri-colored geld., 4 yr. blk. & wh. geld., super trail horses, \$950/1. Billie Aswell, Ville Platte; (337) 363-9166.

AQHA pal., 5 yr. geld., 15.1 hands, 1200 lbs., lots of wh., gentle, exposed to cattle, trail rides, etc., \$2350; new trophy barrel saddle, \$400, both, \$2600. A. Smith, Gonzales; (225) 673-3617.

Reg. TW mare, 14.3-15 hands, blk., w/(1) wh. sock, 3 ½ yrs., very well gaited, open for breeding, \$1200; spotted saddle horse, geld., 14 hands, grullo/wh., 3 yrs., very well gaited, started on trails, \$1000 firm; 8 mos. chestnut/wh. SSH stud colt, \$700, others avail. Brad Vidrine, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4290.

2-2 ½ yr. mare mule, 14 hands, halter broke, gentle, \$800. Marion Stewart, Vidalia; (318) 336-7815.

Arabian reg. gray mare, 6 yrs., 15 hands, hunter, pleasure or endurance, started under saddle, named Khamsin, good disp., \$2300. Kenneth Bridges, Breaux Bridge; http://home.att.net/~kbrid, (337) 896-3608.

2002 AQHA colts & fillies, Colonel Freckles, Little Peppy bloodlines, halter broke, gentle, lots of cow sense, good disp., \$1200/1-up. Barrett Lyons, Opelousas; (337) 288-0887 or (337) 684-6751.

2003 AQHA colts, Colonel Freckles, Little Peppy, Puddenhead bloodlines, gentle, lots of cow sense, good disp., \$1000/1-up. Daniel Lyons, Church Point; (337) 945-0364 or (337) 684-6751.

Reg. Peruvian Pasos, "world's smoothest ride," gentle bay geld., 4 & 5 yrs., proven show/trail mounts, \$3600/1 others avail. Sharlane Clattenburg, Montpelier; clattenburg@centurytel.net or (225) 777-4000

APHA brown/wh. overo broodmare, 15 hands, 1200 lbs., currently open but sell w/free breed, \$1500; APHA '03 brown/wh. big overo filly, lots of chrome, \$1500 or both for \$2500. Michelle Carte, Parks; (337) 845-5122 or (337) 273-5963.

1999 AQHA mare, beautiful, heavily muscled, sound, started on barrels, super handle, \$2500. Lisa Topham, Patterson; (985) 399-6879.

7/03 AQHA lineback bay colt, Peppy San & Ima Cool Skip, Boston Mac bred, strong, straight, stout colt, both parents avail. for viewing, \$975 obo. Jeannie Causey, Walker; (225) 791-9471.

APHC mare, born 1/01, dark bay or brown, sire Ima Cool Skip, Boston Mac bred, dam Alius King, both parents avail for viewing, \$1000, no checks. Randy Causey, Walker; (225) 235-5121.

APHC mare, foundation pedigree designation, born 3/02, dark bay, roan spotting, striped hooves, mottled face, sire Prince Plaudit bred, dam own daughter of Alius King, \$1000 no checks. John Causey, Walker; (225) 235-5121.

1998 Mustang geld., unbroken, stall kept, fence safe, healthy, pastures well w/cows or other horse, \$195 obo; '02 Mustang geld., halter broke, stall kept, w/blankets, handle daily, good disp., small, will make good kid's horse, sorrel w/blk. trim, \$225 obo. Dana, Denham Springs; (225) 665-9892.

Wanted: donkeys, Jacks or Jennies, free or cheap. J. Willis, Elm Grove; (318) 747-0079.

STALLION SERVICE

1998 Pal., 14.2 hands, wide muscular build, pro trained in cutting, Dry Doc, Poco Lena, Leo & Wimpy bloodlines, \$400/\$4 mare care. Dean Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 627-9562 or (225) 234-2322.

Reg. TWHBEA, SSHBEA, 16 hands, blk./wh. tobiano stallion, \$250/\$5 mare care. Lois Rodrigue; Vacherie; lois_rodrigue@bellsouth.net or (225) 265-4654, (504) 289-0923.

AQHA & PHBA golden pal., dbl. bred, Skipper W, working cow horse, 15.2 hands, gorgeous head & color producer, \$350/\$5 mare care. Terry Miller, Bunkie; (318) 346-9280

AQHA pal., Doc Bar, Peppy San, Puddenhead, Barpass Myers, King P-234, \$350/\$3 mare care. Earlin Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8457.

Blk./wh. App., Cooterville Echohawk, Geronimo, Wapiti, Mansfield Comanche, Puddenhead, King P-234, \$200/\$3 mare care. Hermina Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8457.

AQHA sorrel stallion, Shining Spark, Royal Silver King, Peppy San Badger & Organ Grinder bloodlines, \$325 reg. mares, \$200 grade mares, \$3 mare care. Paul Fontenot, Mamou; (337) 468-2981.

AQHA Lineback red dun, own son of Tanquery Gin, bloodline: Poco Lena, Doc Bar, Doc O'Lena, Poco Bueno, top & bottom, \$600. Warren

Iquess, Welsh; (337) 734-3672.

AQHA chestnut, great grandson of Royal King, by King P-234, dam bloodline features foundation King Ranch sires such as: Wimpy, Macanudo, Solis & Babe Grande, \$450/\$3 mare care. Errol Lynn Aymond, Effie; (318) 447-1206 or (318) 253-8235.

Smart Zan Lena, own son of Smart Lil Lena, 743000, out of Sparkle Suzanna, 3x world champ., \$75,000 LTE, athletic as they come, \$750/\$8 mare care. Kevin Simoneaux, Opelousas; (337) 942-1880.

50% Mr. San Peppy, 100% King Ranch & 100% foundation, w/El Pobre & El Nino on papers, \$350/\$5 mare care. Ronald Brassette, Ville Platte; (337) 224-7983 or (337) 363-1403.

Son of Little Peppy, off of the King Ranch, finished cutter, w/Hired Hand on bottom, \$500/\$5 mare care. Jeff Brassette, Ville Platte; (337) 224-7983 or (337) 363-1403.

1982 Dun stallion, AQHA/NFQHA, son of Skipa Star, out of a granddaughter of Puddenhead, excel. disp., \$400/\$5 mare care. Paul Smith, Loranger; (985) 878-3082.

Peppy Doc Again, trained cutting horse, \$500/\$4 mare care. E. J. Reynaud, Jr., Marksville; (318) 253-7203.

2000 Lineback dun, Doc Hickory & Sonitas Last breeding, started on reining, will show after breeding season, \$400/\$5 mare care. Kevin Coates, Ville Platte; (337) 461-5139.

AQHA chestnut, 4-wh. stockings & blaze face, grandson of (2) top sires, Peppy San Badger & Doc's Sug, offspring have produced over \$30 million, \$250/\$3 mare care. Billy Deshotel, Brusly; (225) 749-4686.

AQHA '98 sorrel, son of Eatin Out, 187,000 NCHA, son of Doc's Hickory, dam daughter of Bob Acre Doc & Poco Josie Bueno, \$450/\$7 mare care. Tyler Reed, Westlake; (337) 491-0922 or (337) 912-1742.

AQHA '00 gray, Doc's Hickory, Dry Doc, Mr. San Peppy, Right This Minnick, large frame, good bone, lots of athletic ability in calf roping training, \$400. Lanie Reed, Westlake; (337) 491-0922 or (337) 912-1742

AQHA dark bay/blk., 15 hands, Peppy San Badger grandson, Puddenhead Doc, very muscular, trained in heading, healing & working cattle, \$350. Gina Reed, Westlake; (337) 491-0922 or (337) 912-1742.

AQHA bay stallion, own son of Docs Stylish Oak, dam Freckles Playmate, NCHA money earner & producer of Smart Plan, \$750/\$8 mare care. Joe Reed, Westlake; (337) 491-0922 or (337) 912-1742.

APHA sorrel/wh. overo, Investors Delta could produce your next cutting or reining champion, Gallo Del Cielo, Peppy San Badger, Colonel Freckles, Mr. Norfleet & more, \$500/\$8 mare care. Jim Carte, Parks; (337) 845-5122 or (337) 273-5963.

Homozygous APHA blk./wh. Skip-N-King, homozygous for

paint & tobiano babies, reg. mare, \$350; grade mare, \$250. Beverly Bertrand, Branch; (337) 684-3028 or (337) 580-0161.

Andalusian stallion, imported lines, very work horse oriented, very athletic, known as the horse of Kings, noted for their history for fighting & tending bulls, \$1000 purebreds, \$500 others, \$5 mare care. Randy Baudoin, Denham Springs; (225) 655-2186.

Caspian stallion, great for producing sport ponies on large mares, very sporty & sweet natured, one of the world's rarest breeds, \$300/\$5 mare care. Anna Baudoin, Denham Springs; (225) 665-2186.

Straight Egyptians at stud, Norus son, IBN Moniet, Farazdac, Tuhotmos, Imperial Imdal grandson, \$500 introductory offer, limited breeding. Jeff Dupre, Washington; (337) 585-2642.

Blk. AQHA stallion, 16 hands, 1100 lbs., Ima Cool Skip & Boston Mad Bred, \$300/\$5 mare care. Jeannie Causey, Walker; (225) 791-9471.

Shining Sneakers x Shining Spark, AQHA superior reining, AQHA circuit champ., NRHA money earner, '02 MQHA high point reiner, \$1000. Cheryl Borer, Walker; www.borerquarterhorses.com, borerqtrhorses@aol.com or (225) 667-7415.

8 Yr. grandson of Puddenhead, according to AQHA there are only (2) grandsons of Puddenhead stallions remaining, bay, star, great disp., \$400/\$4 mare care. Jeannette Bucklin, Jackson; www.quarterhorse.com, (337) 824-1642.

SHEEP & GOATS

Katahdin ram, reg., 10 mos., Scrapie enrolled, \$125. Richard Moore; Deville; (318) 730-9460.

Large 2 yr. Suffolk ram, \$150 or trade for Katahdins of equal value w/(1) breeding age male. Morris Pitre, Opelousas; (337) 543-7289.

NPGA pygmy goats, (2) baby does, \$185/1. Toby Guillory, Rosedale; www.tjsfarms.com, (225) 939-3071.

(8) Female goats w/kids, (1) male goat, \$500/all. J. C. Nichols, Winnsboro; (318) 435-6315.

Reg. 3/4 **Dorper** ram, lambs to show, born 4/3/00, \$200. David McGee, Oakdale; (318) 335-1403.

(7) Pygmy baby wethers, \$50/1; (2) grown males, for sale or trade, \$25/1. Clifton Sims, Athens; (318) 258-3710.

Katahdin ewes & rams, 11 mos., reds & wh., heavy, good bloodline, \$100-\$125/1. George Lanclos, Opelousas; (337) 948-9396.

100% Boer doe, w/papers, w/babies, \$175/1-up; (1) Boer buck, 2 yrs., w/papers, \$160. Jean Fall, Mamou; (337) 468-2157.

Fb IBGA reg. Boer buck, born 2/16/02, \$300. R. Richard, Carencro; (337) 896-6264.

Reg. 100% Boer buck, red head, 3 yrs., \$275. R. Johnson, Basile; (337) 432-5073.

Herd reduction, Boer cross does, some just weaning kids,

some bred, some papered, bred does due to kid March '04, \$100-\$150/1. Sandra Odom, Leesville; (337) 238-0224.

Fb IBGA reg. Boer kids, born 6/3/03 & 6/5/03, (2) billies, correct color & show breeding, \$250/1. Ricky LoBell, Prairieville; (225) 715-9218.

LIVESTOCK DOGS

Only trained farm stockdogs or offspring from trained stockdogs are eligible to be advertised. Include dog's breeding and special training or ability that qualifies it as a stockdog. A signed statement must accompany each notice indicating these facts before the ad can be published.

Pembroke corgi male, tri pup, whelped 12/27/03, excel. bloodlines, AKC herding group, \$450. Mona Yarbrough, Church Point; (337) 668-4765.

Reg. Catahoulas, 3 yr. female, \$200; 6 mo. male, \$100, all shots. O. S. Touchet, Rayne; (337) 334-5378.

Welsh corgi, CKC reg., (2) females, both tri color, 1-2 yrs., out of working stock, \$250/1 or consider trade for different breed. Jackie Beach, Vidalia; (318) 336-1419.

Pb blackmouth cur pups, working parent on premises, shots & wormed, \$65. Lemuel Ducote, Plaucheville; (318) 922-3833.

AKC reg. collie pups, 5 wks., sable & wh., (5) males, \$200/1; (6) females, \$150/1. Glenn Welch, Hackberry; (337) 762-3584.

AKC golden retriever pups, born 12/29/03, \$300/1. Toby Guillory, Rosedale; www.tjsfarms.com, (225) 939-3071.

CKC reg. Jack Russell terrier pups, ready Feb. 5, (3) females, (2) males, excel. rat & snake killers, great companions, \$150. Linda Cowan, Zachary; (225) 654-5827.

3/4 Border collie, 1/4 Australian Shepherd, (2) females, 8-9 mos., (1) blk., (1) red., crate trained, good farm dog or pet, love people, raised w/other dogs & cats, \$45 obo. Dana, Denham Springs; (225) 665-9892.

3 Yr. male border collie/blue heeler mix, will stay & come when called, some exposure to cows, free to good home. Susan Cantrell, Morgan City; (985) 395-2092.

SWINE

#1 Hogs, 180-260 lbs., \$99/1-up; feeder pigs, \$35/1-up; hogs, 90-150 lbs., \$67.5/1-up, all grain fed. Cindy Smith, Bogalusa; (985) 735-9671.



Cockatiels, hf & breeding age cockatiels, wh. face, albinos, lutinos, cinn. & more avail., all seamless banded, certificates included., \$30/1-up. Samantha Ivy, Morgan City; (985) 631-3498.

(2) Bonded African gray Congo parrots, \$1100. Rebecca Daigle, River Ridge; (504) 737-1400.

(15) green quakers, \$600/all, will trade for sun conures; (2) prs. of yellow & blue parollets, \$500/pr, or trade for sun conures. Anna Hebert, Duson; (337) 981-0574.

English parakeets (budgies) young bird & breeders, from show stock, \$25-35/1. John Gonor, Jr., Paulina; (225) 869-7054.

Indian ringneck parakeets, '03 blue white-head lacewing female, green/blue lacewing male, green/yellow-head fallow, gray-green yellow-head fallow hens, violets, \$275-\$1800/1; breeder male Hyacinth macaw, \$6500. Kent Benton, Livingston; (225) 686-0248.

Proven pr. dbl. yellows, \$1200/pr.; ringnecks, proven albinos, \$300/pr.; blues, \$250/pr. DeLane Steib, Vacherie; (225) 265-4824.

Parrots, breeder prs., Mexican redheads, \$600/pr.; orange wings, \$350/pr. Ricky LoBell, Prairieville; (225) 715-9218.

Cockatiels & lovebirds, \$25-\$45/1; parakeets, \$12/1. Robert L e g e n d r e , G o n z a l e s; bahbee@eatel.net or (225) 644-5923.

Finches, society, \$5/1; male orange weavers, \$25/1; male red-faced stars, \$50/1; gouldians, \$130-\$250/pr. Mary Perez, Galliano; (985) 632-8580.

Parakeets, \$8/1; lovebirds, \$25/1; breeder pr. sun conures, \$450/pr.; breeder pr. jenday conures, \$450/pr.; cockatiels, \$25/1. Clara Broussard, Abbeville; (337) 893-6745.

Yellow & gray cockatiel, w/heavy-duty cage & nesting box, \$50; new heavy-duty, top quality bird netting, (3) rolls, 6' x 100', paid, \$130/1, sell for \$75/1, other equip. avail. Barnard Darbonne, Pollock; (318) 765-9415.

Sun conure proven pr., \$675; blue crown conures, proven pr., \$400; handfed baby cockatiel, \$35; hf African gray, talking, \$800. Mary Vidrine, Eunice; (337) 457-1163.

Ringneck dove normals & wh., \$7.5 & \$10/1; proven mated prs., \$20 & \$30/pr., will ship. Thomas Rowell, Crowley; (337) 783-5729.

Diamond doves, normal & silver, \$20-\$30/1. Ron Laplace, Erath; (377) 937-5761.

Baby parakeets, \$5/1; female breeders, \$5/1; fancy colors, \$7.5/1 or \$5/1 for (12) or more, yard sale only, no checks. Joseph Hains, New Orleans; (504) 241-6245.

Wanted: male mustache parrot, will trade for sun or female mustache. Donald Wease, Zachary; (225) 654-5154.

Wanted: quantity of normal and/or white ringnecks, no pieds or no exotic colors, call with number if birds avail. & price. Thomas Rowell, Crowley; (337) 783-5729.

POULTRY, FOWL & EGGS

Pharaoh quail, chicks, \$25/100; meat birds, \$20-\$22/doz.; taking orders for spring chicks, pickling eggs, \$10/100, discounts on large quantities. Bruce Richard, Sunset; (337) 662-6088.

Jumbo Pharaoh quail, dressed, \$25/doz.; pickled eggs, \$6/pt; eggs,

\$20/100. Shirley Franks, Lena; (318) 793-8018.

Sex link barred rock & Rhode Island red pullets, \$7/1; grown laying hens, \$5/1. Floyd Cook, St. Amant; (225) 675-2674 or (225) 622-6188.

Peacocks, India blue, mature, \$75/1; guinea, mature, \$5/1. J. M. Buxton, Starks; (337) 743-6380.

Mature mable teal, Chelo, Wiggins & Mandarin ducks, \$50/pr.; silver pheasants, \$50/pr. Ronald Steib, Vacherie; (225) 265-4824.

Eastern wild turkeys, 1 yr., \$50/pr., will sell separately. Charlie Price, Greenwell Springs; (225) 654-2217.

Male blk.-neck swan, '03 hatch, \$700; India blue peahens, \$50/1. Sam Moran, Ethel; (225) 658-4914.

Eastern wild turkeys, July 1 delivery, \$35-\$50/1, limited supply. Doc Lanier, Youngsville; (337) 856-5456.

Full grown Sultan, \$6/1; breeding pr. silver pheasants, related, \$50/1; silver pheasant roo, '01, \$20; (2) silver pheasants roos, '02, \$15/1; blk. & blue cochin bantam, \$5/1. Linda Hymel, Houma; (985) 851-7700.

Miniature dark Cornish laying hens, \$7/1; roosters, \$9/1. Norman Ordoneaux, Lake Arthur; (337) 774-2641.

Super large Pharaoh & Manchurian Golden quail, hatching eggs, \$25/100, plus \$12 S&H; live birds, 75¢/1-up; \$24/doz. G. R. Chauvin, Schriever; (985) 448-3360.

Pharaoh, Golden Manchurian & wh. quails, newly hatched to full grown, 35¢-\$1.5/1; eggs, 15¢/1; live, \$18/doz.; dressed, \$24/doz. Harry Ardoin, Ville Platte; (337) 363-7176 or (337) 360-2896.

Rhode Island laying hens, \$8/1; baby chicks, Rhode Island, \$1.25/1. Wallace Allen, Walker; (225) 665-6068.

(12) Flying adult mallard ducks, \$7.5-\$8.5/1 or \$85/all. Quentin Conway, Krotz Springs; (337) 566-2258.

(25) Geese, (30) ducks, \$300/all. J. C. Nichols, Winnsboro; (318) 435-6315.

Chukar, fully mature & flight cond., \$6/1; mallard ducks, babies to mature flyers, \$3.50-\$8.00/1. Jennifer Young, Zachary; (225) 654-3264 or (225) 445-5012.

Wanted: Old English pb brass back bantams, pullets or hens, blues. Mark Gill, Albany; (225) 567-9339.

Wanted: incubator, forced air w/auto egg turner cabinet model preferred, will consider any reasonably priced. Mike Guillot, Holden; (225) 294-3135.

PIGEONS

Birmingham rollers, \$5/1. Paul Touchet, Church Point; (337) 207-7532.

Fantails, Oriental frills, pheasant pigeons, arc angels, ice pigeons, mookee, pouters, starlings, helmets, some mated prs., \$6/1-up. Julius Thibodeaux, Rayne; (337) 334-5871.

Wanted: Ice pigeon females, damascene females, monk marked starling females. Julius Thibodeaux,

Rayne; (337) 334-5871.

Wanted: pigeons, white kings, Central Louisiana. June Edwards, Marksville; (318) 253-4610 or (318) 481-7656.

DEER & EXOTICS

Water buffalo, (4) bred cows, to calf in June, w/7 mos. calf at side, \$2000/pr. Herbert LeJeune, Oakdale; (337) 639-2953.

RABBITS & EQUIPMENT

NZW/Flemish mix male, 8 mos., \$10/1, no checks. Bruce Batiste, Sr., Slidell; (985) 639-9770.

Cute baby bunnies, wh. w/black points & blk., handled by children, \$10/1. Rebecca McLindon, Bush; (985) 892-2686.

Large breed rabbits, NZ, Calif., checkered, all colors & sizes, \$5/1-up. Dale Falcon, Prairieville; (225) 673-4833.

Netherland dwarf, Holland lops & Dutch rabbits, show, brood & pet quality avail., \$15-\$50/1, depending on quality. Diana Jacobson, Amite; (985) 748-5820.

Breeder prs., adults, babies, all pb, dwarf or giants, \$15/1 or \$10/1 for (2) or more. Mickey Willoughby, Keithville; (318) 933-0887.

San Juans, Florida cottontail crosses, \$5/1-up; other breeds, \$5/1-up; new wire cages, \$15/1-up. Ishreal Thibodeaux, Opelousas; (337) 942-7726.

(30) Mini rex breeder rabbits, complete w/cages, auto water system & feeders, w/hutches, \$500/all. Jerome Hammons, Many; (318) 256-2420.

Medium & large mixed breed bunnies, 8 wks., males & females, \$6/1. Sarah Carpenter, Abita Springs; (985) 875-9416.

Wanted: pb male mini rex, under 6 mos., any color except solid black or albino, near St. Tammany Parish only, will pay up to \$15. Sarah Carpenter, Abita Springs; (985) 875-9416.

Wanted: Holland lop buck. Chris Briley, Port Barre; (337) 585-2421.

AQUACULTURE & EQUIPMENT

Crawfish boat, 14' x 5' steel hull, new 16 hp motor, hyd. pump & wheel motor, front wheels in hulls, w/grading type sacking tray, \$3500. Joe Musick, Crowley; (337) 788-2551.

Blue Catfish, $25 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$; channel catfish, $20 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$; bluegill, $20 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$; hybrid bluegill, $25 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$; Chinquapin, $25 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$; blk. crappie, $30 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$; bass, $50 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ -up; koi, $50 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ -up, del. avail. David Lowe, Minden; (318) 377-1525.

FARM SERVICES

We crack pecans, fast friendly service, 30¢/lb. Jennifer Young, Zachary; (225) 654-3264 or (225) 445-5012

Protect your investment & your friend, freeze branding now avail., ID that is humane & visible year round, \$45. Kim Ballard, Cade; (337) 344-3171.

We buy, sell, train & board horses and give lessons. Russ Mixon, Pride; russmixon1@cox.net or (225) 654-9254.

Seven Star stables, full or partial board, clean & hazard free facility, located 10 minutes from Port Allen off Hwy. 190, 60+ acres for riding. Chris or Donna Leger, Plaquemine; (225) 687-2047 or (225) 776-2843.

Custom hay baling, rd. or sq., complete trac. & hauling service, bush hogging, discing, front loader & blade work, new reliable equipment, free estimates. Mathew Parker, Leesville; (337) 535-4968.

We build pole-hay barns & equipment sheds, catch pens & totally enclosed shops, etc. E.H. Welch, Kentwood; (985) 229-8590.

All types of dirt work, laser leveling, ponds, federal program work, site prep & landfills. Byron Lemoine, Hamburg; (318) 997-2163.

RURAL PROPERTIES

Must offer ten (10) or more adjoining acres of land located in Louisiana. Farmland ads MUST include accompaniments (house, barn, hay field, garden, and what the land is best suited for). Proof of ownership may be required. All ads MUST be accompanied by the following owner-signed statement: "This property is personally owned by me and is not offered for sale by a licensed real estate dealer, broker or salesman."

10 Acres, located 4 miles east of Eunice, \$5000/acre. Gwyn Kirby, Denham Springs; gwyn@beatlemail.com or (225) 665-4413.

60 Acres land, 45 acres crawfish lake, w/4" water well, \$70,000. Morris Granger, Mamou; (337) 468-5901.

Natchitoches Parish, 52 acres, pasture, \$1000/acre; Sabine Parish, 47 acres, timberland, \$2000/acre. Mike Goings, Robeline; (318) 256-9334.

Wanted: acreage w/house or dwelling, all areas of interest, will consider farms, businesses, etc., reasonably priced. Cherry Jochum, Baton Rouge; urbantwins@cox.net or (225) 241-6427.

Wanted: 50-200 acres. E. D. Lanier, Youngsville; (337) 856-5456.

SEEDS, FLOWERS & ORNAMENTALS

2003 Hot Peter pepper seeds, \$1/100-seed pkt., w/SASE. Cleveland Guidry, 918 E. Ash Street, Crowley, LA, 70526; (337) 783-2042.

Birdhouse & dipper gourds, cushaw green stripe, reg. green & long green eggplant, 8" long, cayenne pepper, \$1.5/30 seeds, w/SASE. James Robin, Sr., 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, LA, 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Birdseye, Peter & aconcagua peppers, purple & yellow bush datura, \$1.5/pkt. w/SASE; rice paper plant, \$5/1; dbl. bicolor hibiscus, \$8/1; dbl. yellow bush datura, \$8/1. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lake Charles, LA, 70601; (337) 478-7075.

TREES & FRUITING VINES

Cypress trees, 4'-5', \$10/1. D. Bordelon, Ponchatoula; (985) 345-4280

Citrus trees, several varieties, \$10/1. Clyde Jones, Braithwaite; (504) 682-3788.

Japanese yew, Japanese plum, Celeste & brown turkey fig, southern magnolia, Chinese fan palm, dwarf pomegranate, amaryllis red, \$8/3-gal. James Stelly, Eunice; (337) 457-4528.

Vegetable pears, merlitons, well rooted, growing plants in 2-gal. pots, heavy producer, \$5/1. E.J. Flanagan, Hammond; (985) 345-1498.

Fig trees, 2 yrs., \$9.5/2-gal., at place, 10 varieties, SASE for list, will ship dormant, \$12 S&H included. Betty Robin, 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Mayhaw trees, large fruited varieties, also red mulberry, crabapple, Chickasaw plum, Catalpa, native magnolia, \$7-\$25/1. Kent Benton, Livingston; (225) 686-0248.

3-Gal. river birch trees, single, \$3.25/1; dbl., \$3.5/1; triple trunk, \$3.75/1; 3-gal. live oak, \$4/1; 3-gal. plum loropetalum, \$3.75/1. Cheryl Monk, Oakdale; (318) 335-9364.

Yellow cascia & golden raintrees, \$5-\$10/1; purple vitex, \$12/1; celeste, honey dew & green ishia figs, \$6/1; Mamou plant, \$10/1; Japanese plums, \$5/1-up; cuccuzas, \$1.5/pkt. w/SASE. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lake Charles, LA, 70601; (337) 478-7075.

FERTILIZER

Barnyard manure, for shrubbery, bedding, etc., you load, \$2/100 lbs., no Sunday business. Harold Loewer, Eunice; (337) 457-4487.

Free Compost. Cecil Myers, Jennings; (337) 821-5882.

HAY & GRAIN

2004 Alicia/Bahia/Tifton 44, 4x5 rd. bales, \$25/1, in field; \$35/1, delivery, \$4.85/mls., hauling to location of farm. Wayne Ward, Saline; 179erma@bellsouth.net, (318) 471-9273.

Kansas Alfalfa hay, horse quality, \$7.5/1 or \$7/1 for (50) or more. Ivan Edwards, Sr., Ringgold; (318) 894-9586.

2003 Fall season Bahia hay, excel. quality, well fert. & cured w/o rain, (400) sq. bales, in barn, \$2.5/1; (300) 4x5 rd. bales, \$20/1. Ike

Nichols, Kinder; (337) 639-2140.

High quality 4x4 rd. bales of Bahia hay, fert. & kept in barn, \$20/1. Sonny Ridgell, Tickfaw; (985) 345-1128.

2003 Quality Jiggs Bermuda, \$3.5/bale, in barn; \$4-\$4.5/bale delivered, but not unloaded. Don Bernard, Broussard; (337) 989-9675.

2003 Bahia & Jiggs Bermuda, 4x6 rd. bales, \$20 for Bahia; \$30 for Jiggs, del. \$5/1. Donald Crawford, Broussard; (337) 989-9675.

Fert. Bahia, Alicia, 4x5 rd. bales, conditioned cut & baled, \$20/1. C. M. Duplechian, Jennings; (337) 824-2989.

New & old Bermuda & various other kinds of hay, all from fert. production, you load, \$2-\$4/1, no Sunday calls. Harold Loewer, Eunice; (337) 457-4487.

4x5 rolls of Bahia hay, heavy fert., in barn, no weeds, horse quality, del. avail., \$30/1. Joe Pieri, Folsom; (985) 796-9538 or (504) 628-5361.

Quality Alicia Bermuda sq. bales, highly fert., weed free, in barn, \$3.6/1. Clay Pierce, Thibodaux; (504) 446-0234 or (504) 447-6100.

4x5 Rd. bales Bermuda, \$20/1. Zan Dupre, Eunice; (337) 457-2716

Rd. bales Bahia hay, 5x5, fert., limed & cured w/o rain, stored in barn, \$20/1. Ernest Rion, Jr., Reeves; (337) 666-2404 or (337) 370-7620.

Argentine Bahia, well fert. & limed sq. bales, \$2.75/1; rd. bales, \$20/1. Harold Parker, Independence; (985) 878-2067.

2003 Mixed Alicia hay, rd. bales, del. avail., \$20/1; sq. bales, \$3.25/1. William Delaune, Gonzales; (225) 647-7073.

4x5 Rd. bales, (1200) \$15/1. Elgin Rogers, Houma; (985) 851-7692

Sq. bales, fert., clean, cured w/o rain, no weeds, Bahia, \$2.75/1; rye grass, \$3/1. Lew Overton, Slaughter; (225) 654-0086.

5x6 Rolls rye & clover, \$25/1; Bermuda, \$30; heavy rolls, some in barn, del. avail. Bob Shoalmire, Powhatan; (318) 352-0355.

Alicia Bermuda grass hay, clean, fertilized to soil test, sq. bales, \$3.5/1; 4x5 rd. bales, \$20/1; cow hay, sq. bales, \$2/1, del. avail. Roy Varnado, Jr., Iota; (337) 824-3887.

(100) 4x5 rd. bales of Bahia, heavily fert. & nitrated, \$25/1. Darrell Richard, Church Point; (337) 896-8343.

4x5 rd. bales, cow hay, \$16/1. Glen Bruce, Reeves; (337) 666-2239

4x5 rd. bales Bahia, in barn, fertilized to soil test, cured w/o rain, will load, \$25/1. Danne Schleismann, Husser: (985) 748-7663

(3000) Sq. bales, (23) rd. bales, highly fert., cured w/o rain & no weeds or briars, sq. bales, \$3/1; rd. bales, \$25/1. Laurie Breeden, Greensburg; (225) 222-4216.

Jiggs hay, fert., in barn, rd. bales, \$16/1; Bahia, fert., in barn, \$15/1; comm. Bahia, fert., in barn, \$13/1. Debbie Richard, Evangeline; (337) 824-1795.

Alicia Bermuda, excel. quality, sq. bales, \$3/1; rd. bales, \$15/1, del. avail. Kyle Doucet,

Washington; (337) 826-3542 or (337) 789-6591.

2003 Quality Jiggs hay, fert. & cured w/o rain, \$50/3. Jerry Lanclos, Opelousas; (337) 879-2438.

2003 Shelled corn, \$7/100 lbs. George Lanclos, Opelousas; (337) 948-9396.

Alicia Bermuda, horse quality, \$3.25/1; Bahia, \$3/1 or \$2.75/1 for (20) or more; 5x5 rd. bales, crabgrass, Bahia, Alicia, \$18-\$35/1, sq. bales you load, rd. bales we load. David Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4334 or (337) 363-3523.

Coastal Bermuda hay, 5x5 rolls, fert., kept in barn, \$30/1. J. Willis, Elm Grove; (318) 747-0079.

2003 Mixed grass hay, 4x5 rd. bales, del. avail. for extra charge, \$20/1. Duane Wilson, Slaughter; (225) 683-3044.

Jiggs & Bahia, 5x5 rd. bales, cured w/o rain, fert., hard bales, \$17-\$20, quantity discounts avail. Miles Briley, Opelousas; (337) 543-2270.

2003 Bahia hay, 5x5 bales, no rain, well fert., in barn, \$25/1; sq. bales, ray & Jiggs grass, well fert., in barn, no rain, \$2.25/1. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.

2003 Bahia 4x5 rd. bales, \$15/1; mixed grass, \$12/1. Robby Rodrigue, Plaquemine; (225) 685-1137.

(250) 5x6 rd. bales of Jiggs grass, in shed, \$22.5/1, at place. Melvin Soileau, Bunkie; (318) 838-2459.

Bahia sq. bales, in barn, \$2.25/1. Louis Blanchard, St. Amant; (225) 644-2745.

Bahia, Rye grass & clover hay, sq. bales, \$3.5/1; 5x6 rd. bales of Bahia, rye grass or mixed clover hay, \$24/1. Carroll Gueho; Baton Rouge; (225) 766-2363.

Alicia Bermuda hay, \$2-\$3.5/1, depending on quality, (25) bale minimum sale. Doug Dorhauer, Denham Springs; (225) 665-2788.

2003 Alicia Bahia 4x5 rd. bales, in barn, \$35/1; cattle mixed grass, \$15/1. Brandy Cella, Bush; (985) 892-0240.

2003 Alicia Bermuda hay, sq. bales, \$4.5/1; rd. bales, \$35/1. Delos Thompson, Jr., Folsom; (985) 796-9872.

(250) 6x6 rolls coastal Bermuda, well fert., \$30/1. Robert Gorman, Hall Summit; (318) 932-5792 or (318) 347-2073.



Case 350 dozer, 6-way blade, ROPS, runs great, power shuttle rebuilt by Case, \$10,500. Nathan Vidrine, Ventress; (225) 638-9356.

Factory made hayforks, picks up any size bale, 4x4-6x6, heavyduty, \$250. Chad Daigrepont, Hessmer; (318) 305-1980.

JD 4440 field cont., good tires, ac, (2) remotes, \$14,000. Bill Fuller, Kinder; (337) 738-2522 or (337) 224-4560.

Belarus 250 A.S., 33 hp, w/some tools, \$3500. Linzey Albert, Plaquemine; (225) 687-1864.

NH 3930, 45 hp, w/turbo, 950 hrs., like new, rear hydraulics, \$10,500. R. Robinson, Alexandria;

(318) 443-3812.

Mitsubishi 3 cyl. diesel trac., 4 wd, 750 hrs., 9 spd., 3 PTO spd., \$4900; Ford 2000 diesel trac., 31 PTO hp, 8 spd., very good cond., \$4500. J. Guillot, Hessmer; (318) 563-4776.

1486 Int. trac., w/recently overhauled engine, good cond., 10 yard dirt scoop, terrace disc, \$12,000. G. W. Gentry, Many; (318) 256-3613.

Old JD 2 cyl. trac., w/3 pt. hook up & belly mower w/extra new deck, \$2200. P. Mitch Perrodin, Ville Platte; (337) 599-2018.

970 Case trac., 85 hp, dual remote, starts & runs well, 90% rubber, \$8000; Kuhn hay cutter, 7' cut, good cond., \$2575. Whitney Champagne, St. Martinville; (337) 845-4125.

(2) Aux. tanks, fits JD trac., 4630, 4230 or 40 series, \$75/1; (1) 30 5L32 R2, 12 ply, \$100. Greg Perron, Mamou; (337) 468-5144.

8210 Ford trac., a/c, w/d, 95 hp, \$13,800; Ford disc 27', \$1200; Terrace plow, 9' blade, hyd. wings, \$1400; 21' sheep foot pick, \$800; John Blue spray rig, \$300; heavyduty 10' chisel pick, w/12" spacing, \$350. Louis Cramer, Branch; (337) 788-0498.

2590 Case, dual wheels, nurse tanks, cab & air, great shape, \$7800 obo. David Pellerin, Lafayette; (337) 989-1166.

Int. 5100 rice & grain drill, 7" spacing, hyd. cyl., good tires & cond., \$400 nego. Chad LeJeune, Church Point; (337) 684-2135 or (337) 962-7209.

1400 series, heavy-duty, 8' Rhino grater blade, w/cyl., very good cond., fits 3 pt. hitch, \$850. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.

Dixon ZTR mower, 10 hp, Briggs & Stratton, 30" cut, just serviced by Dixon dealer, excel. cond., \$1950. Joe Pierri, Folsom; (504) 628-5361.

Cat D5, power shift, full ROPS, just rebuilt, runs well, ready to work, \$18,000. Johnny Delee, Jackson; (225) 634-7335.

JD 2940, 85 hp, ROPS, dual hyd. remotes, new tires, 5800 hrs., \$9500. Ted Motlow, Carencro; (337) 896-0859.

1947 A.C. trac., great restoration project, \$250 obo. Andy Isca, Grayson; (318) 649-5328.

Krone 150 4x5 baler, kept in barn, good, dependable baler, \$3500; Walton 3 hp V-rake, \$700; PZ drum cutter, \$850, all in good cond. & field ready. Dale Cain, Baton Rouge; (225) 262-4592.

JD 520 grain drill, new paint, 3 pt. hitch, excel. cond., 14" or 7" centers, markers, \$1500 nego. Doug Boudreaux, Simmesport; (318) 941-2614.

2500 Yanmar, new engine, new electrical system, good tires, good sheet metal, \$4500. Billy Cook, Prairieville; (225) 622-1138.

NH 353 feed mill, grinder & mixer, 4480 lb. shell corn capacity, on wheels, portable, w/auger, PTO driven, shed kept, very excel. cond., \$5000. Darby Miller, Alexandria; (318) 561-6190.

MF 255 diesel trac., w/loader, good working cond., \$8000. Dub Jenkins, Franklinton; (985) 839-4133.

Chipper shredder attachment,

for 8 hp Troy tiller, \$100. Joseph Kowalczuk, St. Francisville; (225) 635-6856.

Int. 444 diesel trac., engine overhauled, including new sleeves, pistons, crankshaft & new clutch, rebuilt injection pump & injectors, new glow plugs, nice trac., \$4200; Long 460 diesel trac., new rear tires, new seat, runs great, \$420; drag wheel for bush hog, w/bracket, \$50. Donald Morgan, Zachary; (225) 654-3501.

1988 JD 950 4 wd, w/front-end loader, \$9000; Onan 12 KW diesel generator, like new, \$7500 obo. Monty Gore, St. Amant; (225) 622-3257

JD 870 utility trac., w/belly mower & box blade, 25 hp PTO, excel. cond., \$12,500 obo. Dexton Pardue, Springfield; (225) 294-2120.

1993 Ford 3930 45 hp diesel, excel. cond., \$10,000; '99 Ford 3930 45 hp, w/front-end loader & rear hyd., excel. cond., \$15,000; 2 bottom plow, \$150 obo; 3 pt. double gang disk, 6' wide, \$400 obo; 3 pt. row maker, \$150 obo. Ronald Guidroz, Iowa; (337) 478-6955.

3 Pt. 6' double disc, extra heavy duty, \$500; 6' harrow w/railroad spikes, \$125. M. J. Montagnino, Zachary; (225) 654-2473.

Trac. tire in good cond., 8.3 x 22 size, \$50. Carol Phillips, Logansport; cdpaviary@msn.com or (318) 697-7241.

140 Int. trac., '61 model, w/bush hog & some equip., \$2500; red Cub trac., good cond., needs work, \$400. Skeet Cooper, Jena; (318) 992-2206.

9N Ford trac. & bush hog, \$2200; Super "C" Int. trac. & drag bush hog, \$500. Shawna Harper, Sieper; (318) 793-4285.

MF 50, gas engine, very good cond., w/bush hog & box blades, \$5000. Janice Varnado, Franklinton; (985) 839-2595.

970 Case 85 hp diesel, 2 remotes, new tires, \$6000. Joe Musick, Crowley; (337) 788-2551.

2003 Kuhn cutter, 8-wheel rake, tedder, \$9500 firm. Buddy Lucky, Bossier City; (318) 453-5685.

Dirt scoop, w/3 pt. hitch, \$175; 5' bush hog, w/3 pt. hitch, \$175. Larry Sibille, Sunset; (337) 230-6432.

JD 6200, 66 hp, 12 spd. Syncoplus trans., w/cab/air & radio, new rear tires, 5000 hrs., used only in hay field, extra clean, in excel. cond., \$19,500; Kuhn 600, 8' hay cutter, used (2) seasons, very clean, like new cond., \$4800. Ike Nichols, Kinder; (337) 639-2140.

Ford 4000 diesel trac., p/s, 8 spd., 52 PTO hp, excel. cond., \$6200; 10' hay fluffer, \$400. Duane Wilson, Slaughter; (225) 683-3044.

58 (?) Ford backhoe/loader, (4) cyl. diesel, new front tires, usable rear, old, ugly, used & confused, but still works well, needs alternator, \$3300 obo. Vernon Garrison, Denham Springs; (225) 665-5979.

Farmall cub, w/belly mower, \$1200; 501 log hog trac., \$4500; (2) row cult., \$225; single row cult., \$200; planters & fert. dist., \$100/1-up; assorted farm tools, \$25/1-up. John Womack, Winnfield; (318) 628-6768.

Ford 3000 diesel trac., 40 PTO hp, 8 spd., \$4500; Iseki 1610 diesel

trac., 9 spd., 4 PTO spds., 680 hrs., \$3200. T. J. Ryan, Marksville; (318) 240-7388.

Ford 2000 diesel trac., 8 spd., 31 PTO hp, low hrs., \$4500; Ford 4000 diesel trac., 8 spd., p/s 52 PTO hp, \$5400; Mitsubishi 4 wd, w/Mitsubishi tiller, 20 hp, 860 hrs., \$4500. E. Ryan, Marksville; (318) 240-7388.

Ford 3000 diesel trac., p/s, 8 spd., \$3400; MF 35, 6 spd., gas engine, \$290. J. Guillot, Hessmer; (318) 563-4776.

JD F935, 72", out-front mower, diesel engine, \$2500; large Troy-Bilt tiller, 8 hp Kohler engine, \$750. J. C. Patrick, Baton Rouge; (225) 292-4050 or (225) 937-7329.

851 NH rd. baler, hyd. tie, kept under shed, baled '03 crop, field ready for '04, \$1500. John Martin, Moreauville; (318) 997-2284.

7' Corsicana grader blade, top cond., \$275; heavy 3 pt. hayforks, \$175. Austin Casanova, Amite; (985) 748-7363.

Ford 9000 90 hp, rebuilt engine, \$8500. James McKean, Greensburg; (225) 222-6020.

IH 715 combine, good shape, \$1000. Shaun Peck, Arnaudville; (337) 945-2700.

Power King 17 hp trac., middle-buster, disc, belly mower, 48" swivel grader blade, \$2200 obo. Marsha Kemp, Clinton; (225) 683-7035.

IH 966 trac., \$4000; 10' disc, \$1000. Morris Granger, Mamou; (337) 468-5901.

Kubota L260 diesel, 26 hp, w/front loader, \$4200. Paul Tobin, Ponchatoula; (985) 345-9520.

6' Woods shredder, no leaks, \$1000. Lee Wimberley, Church Point; (337) 684-5152.

Crustbuster grain drill, excel. cond., \$1500; W&A 8-row hipper w/orthman row markers, excel. cond., \$2600; irrigation pumps, 6" x 8", trailer mounted, PTO driven, excel. cond., \$1500. Bobby Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

17-yard Reynolds dirt pan, '01, \$23,000; 17-yard Reynolds dirt pan, '00, \$23,000; 14-yard Reynolds dirt pan, '00, \$18,000, all in excel. shape. Bert Gremillion, Morganza; (225) 694-2217 or (225) 405-4986.

100 hp Comber gear box & stump jumper, for bush hog, \$250; 2-row planters for Super "C" Farmall, \$375; new J bar, 5' bush hog, \$485. Ray Jordan, West Monroe; (318) 396-4328.

860 Ford trac., gas, good, lift runs well, 95% rubber, 42 hp, \$3850; 801 Ford power master, rebuilt lift, good rubber, new paint, don't smoke, \$3850. Jimmy Pitre, West Monroe; (318) 322-6348.

(3) Tractor weights for large JD, approx. 100 lbs. each, \$45/1 or trade for smaller weights. Cecil Armistead, Lake Charles; (337) 855-6387.

IH 484 diesel, p/s, \$4500; Ford 1710 diesel ROPS, \$4500; Ford 1600 diesel 2x2, \$2000; MF 245 diesel, p/s, good, \$5695; 8N Ford '52 model, \$1500; 13' viber shank, 3 pt. cult., \$450; 9' NH heavy-duty disc mower, \$900. R. Coldiron, Jonesville; (318) 339-7876.

JD 4640 dual wheels, cab/air, p/s, QH, 150-gal. poly tanks, w/racks & pump, \$16,000; 400 bu. Caldwell

grain cart; 100 bu. Rayne Plane grain cart; 854 Int. corn header; Vicon 7' hay cutter; 12-row spray rig; 6-row spray rig. Dale Moreau, Porte Barre; (225) 268-6878.

4366 IH trac., 200 hp, new motor, \$9800. Jennifer Roberts, DeQuincy; (337) 786-8450.

Ford 3550 trac., w/front loader & 15' backhoe, extra 15' backhoe, excel. cond., \$8500. Buddy Manning, Franklinton; (985) 839-4291.

1951 Ford 8N, w/1 ½ yr. old 5' Bush Hog trac., excel. cond., motor has been overhauled, no smoke, tires are very good, \$2500. Keith Williams, Pollock; (318) 899-1003.

Custom Oliver 365 trac., 45 hp, \$3400 obo. Murphy Baye, Thibodaux; (985) 446-6186.

JD 30-20 diesel, excel. cond., (3) remotes & ditcher, 65-80 hp, oversize pistons & sleeves, front & rear c/w18.4 x 34 tires, 75% rubber, 12' JD disc, 6' bush hog, 6' box blade, \$10,000/all. Henry Mallett, Sr., Welsh; (337) 734-2203.

JD 2750 w/front-end loader, forks & bucket, excel. running cond., \$10,500. Elliott Bizette, Lakeland; (225) 627-5649.

1998 Ransome 728D commercial mower, 6' deck, 28 hp diesel, 1200 hrs., reduced to, \$3200; Ferris 48" commercial hydrostatic mower, reduced to \$1200. Dwayne Riche, Cottonport; (318) 964-2473.

1997 JD LX 188 riding lawnmower, 48" deck, \$1200. Paul Newton, Bunkie; (318) 346-2905 or (318) 447-6140.

Kelly B215 backhoe, like new, works off 3 pt. hook up of trac. & internal hyd. fluids, \$3750 obo; yellow cub trac., cult. disc, belly mower, excel. cond., \$4500 obo, can del.; garden tiller, belt driven, used little, \$150. James Hilton, Anacoco; (337) 238-4216.

5' Bush Hog brand bush hog cutter, deck needs repair, gear box & blades are in good cond., \$175. David Jeansonne, Pineville; (318) 466-3889.

1982 Ford 1300 trac., 4x4, w/finishing mower & blade, \$5000. U. L. Bordelon, Mansura; (318) 253-5190.

JD MX5 pasture clipper, very good cond., 2 yrs., \$800 or trade for 7' or 8' clipper. Wayne Soileau, Reddell; (337) 468-3516.

3 Pt. hitch dirt scoop, \$175; 3 pt. hitch 5' Bush hog, \$175. Larry Sibille, Sunset; (337) 230-6432.

Wanted: tires for 424 IH trac., 13 x 6 mounted on 8 lug hole rims, 13 x 6-28. Donald Burley, Monterey; (318) 386-2212.

Wanted: IH 1468, 1568 or 1566, running or not. Shaun Peck, Arnaudville; (337) 945-2700.

Wanted: NH side delivery rake, 851 rd. baler, field ready, 850 C Case bull dozer trac. parts, roller & sprocket. Algy Irvin, Thibodaux; (985) 448-1101 or (504) 427-0962.

Wanted: (2) trac. tires, 14-9-28 or a little smaller. Lester Fuselier, Eunice; (337) 457-4265.

Wanted: Sidewinder ditcher or similar brand for 25 hp diesel trac. Stuart Gauthier, Kaplan; (337) 643-6041.

Wanted: rear tine tiller, good cond., trac. tire in good cond. Carol Phillips, Logansport; cdpaviary@msn.com or (318) 697-7241.

Wanted: JD 4020 for parts. Rick Cureington, Winnsboro; (318) 435-4443.

Wanted: Kubota B5100 diesel trac., for parts, must have (2) cylinder head. Chris Tassin, Marksville; (318) 253-8878.



1990 Ford L9000, single axle, dual wheels, 300 cummins, 7 spd. trans., 5th-wheel & gooseneck hookups, elec. brake controller & air brake setup, good cond., ready to work, \$6500. Alvin Rachal, Ville Platte; (337) 363-6641.

1988 Model Suzuki Samurai, 4 wd, new paint, excel. cond., \$1500. Jerome Hammons, Many; (318) 256-2420.

School bus seats, \$8/1. Jake McCain, Sweet Lake; (337) 598-4886.

1999 Ford-350 dually crew cab, ac, windows, locks, 83,000 miles, excel. cond., gooseneck hookup, \$16,995. Bill Fuller, Kinder; (337) 738-2522 or (337) 224-4560.

1986 Mack, 15 yard dump truck, new clutch, good tires, new pack cyl., elec. tarp air gate, ac, \$13,000; '89 1-ton Chevy. ext. cab, new tires, clutch, plugs, wires, gooseneck hitch, ac, leather interior, standard, \$2500. William Gary, Jennings; (337) 824-9723.

1990 1 ½-ton Ivec 18' flatbed, fresh overhaul on motor, 4 cyl. turbo diesel, gooseneck hookup, ac., \$7500. W. Gary, Jennings; (337) 824-9723.

1993 Freightliner w/flatbed trailer, excel. cond., \$15,000/all. Lawrence Gaspard, Rayne; (337) 334-9346.

1997 S-10 Chevy ext. cab, excel. cond., new tires, timing chain, good truck, new head & alternator, \$2500. Martin Bailey, Ville Platte; (337) 599-2865.

2002 Sierra GMC, V8, auto, towing, extra leaf in spring, 255 x 70-16 tires, 40,000 miles, bed liner & rails, \$13,000. M. Bailey, Ville Platte; (337) 599-2865.

1991 Ford F-700 diesel winch truck, w/gin poles, 6 spd., 112,000 miles, \$8900; 50-gal. rd. saddle tank, \$35; 500-gal. fuel tank on skids, w/elec. pump, \$400; 411 ring & pinion gear to fit late model Z-71, \$100. Morris Pitre, Opelousas; (337) 543-7289.

1966 MI 51 4 wd military jeep, runs, \$3200. Shawna Harper, Sieper; (318) 793-4285.

1995 Dodge Cummins diesel, cab & chassis, straight front axle, 5 spd. manual, vac. hyd., tilt, cruise, radio, CD, \$8500. Chris Matheson, Grand Chenier; (337) 794-9700.

1990 GMC 1-ton, extra cab, 454 4 spd., a/c, gooseneck hookup, many new parts, runs well, body rough, \$2000. Shane Delee, Jackson; (225) 634-5867.

1996 Chevrolet ext. cab, a/c, new radio, CD player, auto, large V6, excel. cond., 1-owner, \$5500. Joel Carr, Ruston; (318) 255-6279.

1993 F-350 crew cab, 7.3 diesel, wrecked in front, all or parts, good

bed, rear end, engine, 5 spd. trans. & cab, \$3500 obo; '90 F-250 7.36 diesel, reg. cab, 5 spd. trans., new clutch, water pump, fuel pump, rear tires & shocks, \$3500 obo. Landon Richards, Greenwell Springs; (225) 658-0357.

1994 Ford F-250, 5 spd. w/a/c, LWB, mint cond., \$4200. U. L. Bordelon, Mansura; (318) 253-5190.

1997 Ford F-350 pickup bed w/headache rack & toolbox, \$500/both. Bob Shoalmire, Powhatan; (318) 352-0355.

LWB truck bed, gray, w/blue stripe, 8', all hardware, \$250 or trade. Starks Johnson, Lake Charles; (337) 598-2912.

1982 Chevrolet cab & chassis, new motor, rebuilt trans., w/welding bed, \$3000. Shawn Savant; Lake Charles; (337) 436-6741 or (337) 802-8051.

1991 Dodge Ram 250, 4 wd, auto, a/c, p/s, power brakes, special heavy-duty trailer hitch, am/fm stereo, new tires, looks good, runs like new, \$4900. Bernard Darbonne, Pollock; (318) 765-9415.

1980 Ford 350 truck, \$650. Doug Cox, Baton Rouge; (225) 241-9809 or (225) 753-8277.

1986 Peterbilt 359, 400 hp, cat, 15 spd., 3.9 **ratons**, air ride suspension, 63" walk-in sleeper, excel. cond., \$16,500. Dennis Hymel, Vacherie; (225) 265-2321 or (225) 715-0071.

1996 Ford F-250, excel. cond., new factory 7.3 liter power stroke, only 20,000 miles on new motor, gold/wh., LWB, \$10,000. Trase Satcher, Denham Springs; (225) 665-6265.



Gooseneck cattle trailer, 20' dbl. floor, canvas top, good cond., \$2000. Jerry Thiels, Lecompte; (318) 776-9153.

2001 Exiss 3-horse trailer, w/living quarters, all aluminum, like new, a/c, w/heat strip, refrigerator, hot water heater, microwave, cowboy shower, extra nice cabinets & sink, insulated & paneled, \$15,750 or trade for 4-horse trailer. Ed Durr, Jr., Amite; (985) 748-5556.

16' Utility trailer, heavy-duty, pipe top, \$600. Paul Tobin, Ponchatoula; (985) 345-9520.

1997 4-Star, 2-horse slant load trailer, dressing roam, drop down windows, collapsible rear tack, low miles, excel. cond., \$8500. Debra Lambert, Loranger; (985) 878-2084

(2) Horse-drawn passenger wagons, carry 20-25, top, bench on each side, wooden wheels, lights, sound system, ideal for group party, parades, etc., \$2500-\$3500. Gary Wimberly, Walker; (225) 664-7372.

Gooseneck horse/wagon trailer, 24' x 6' x 8', front 9' enclosed, w/cabinets & bed in nose, back 18' open for vehicles, back/side entry, elec. winch, \$5000. G. Wimberly, Walker; (225) 664-7372.

35' Gooseneck, w/5' dovetail, vac./hyd. brakes, (2) 10,000 lb.

dual tandem axles, \$4500. Joe Musick, Crowley; (337) 788-2551.

2-Horse bumper pull Sundowner trailer, extra height & width, custom paint, \$1500; '03 12' bumper pull, enclosed Calico horse trailer, like new, lots of extras, \$2000. Jerome Hammons, Many; (318) 256-2420.

(4) Cotton trailers, 10' wide, 40' long, tandem axles, front & rear, \$1000. Larry Robinson, Wisner; (318) 724-7534 or (318) 347-4884.

24' Gooseneck flatbed w/dovetail, dual axle, 16" tires, treated floor, shop built, w/side running lights, \$1000. Larry Maricle, Pitkin; (318) 634-7445.

1990 Sooner customized aluminum horse trailer, w/living quarters, TV/VCR, sleeps 4, refrig., house-size shower, port-a-potty, water heater, water tank, sink, storage, etc., \$11,500 obo. Ed Diehl, Lake Charles; (337) 217-8860.

(35) Cotton trailers, 8'-10' wide, 24'-40' long, excel. for hay trailers or storing crawfish traps, good to excel. cond., del. avail., \$500-\$1450. T. L. Enright, Sr., Sicily Island; (318) 389-5395.

2-Horse bumper pull, ramp, brake, (4) like-new tires, dressing room, side escape doors, rubber mats, great shape, \$1800. Eddie Mullen, Denham Springs; (225) 667-3502.

20' S & H gooseneck cattle trailer, bar top, w/canvas, (2) 7000 axles, clean trailer, \$3500. Rudy Douglas, Slaughter; (225) 921-0452.

1991 Sundowner, all aluminum 3-horse slant w/camper package, gas/elec. refrigerator, microwave, hot/cold running water, cowboytype shower, canopy, new a/c unit, many extras, \$18,000. Brad Vidrine, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4290.

Bell 2 cotton trailer, \$500. Doug Cox, Baton Rouge; (225) 241-9809 or (225) 753-8277.

Stock trailer, 9'x5', single axle, sliding gate, bumper pull, \$300; stock trailer, 10'x5', single axle, gooseneck, \$600. Larry Sibille, Sunset; (337) 230-6432.

20' Lowboy w/rails, bumper pull trailer, folding ramps, 12,000 lb. axles, elec. brakes, 16" tires, w/spare, \$2000 obo; Jayco pop-up camper, 14', (2) axles, sleeps 6, bath & kitchen, \$5000 obo. Ronald Guidroz, Iowa; (337) 478-6955.

1995 Sooner 6-horse aluminum stock combo gooseneck trailer, dressing room w/water tank, well maintained, \$10,000. J. O. Morgan, Folsom; (985) 796-3625.

1992 WW 2-horse slant, w/sleeping quarters, insulated, refrigerator, a/c, carpet, teak wood floors, drop-down windows, rear tack, \$4000. Diane, Marksville; (318) 466-3617.

Hitch adapter, converts 5th-wheel to gooseneck, \$250. Daryl Carruth, Greensburg; (225) 222-6003.

Wanted: lowboy bumper-pull, flatbed trailer, 18' or 20' x 6' 10" or 6' 11", 6000-7000 lb. axles, very good cond. Loyton Courville; (337) 662-3758.

Wanted: load-equalizing hitch, preferably 10,000 lb. capacity. Nolan Miller, Ragley; (337) 725-6999.

FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

Above ground cattle gap, \$950. Chad Daigrepont, Hessmer; (318) 305-1980.

22" Carbon steel pipe, good cond., good for culverts, \$13/ft. Adrian Landry, Pierre Part; (985) 252-9618.

Concrete water troughs, \$125/1 or \$100/1 if all taken. Jude Barry, Mamou; (337) 546-0614.

New galv. panels, w/mud boots, 40' rd. pen, \$525; 50' rd. pen, \$640; 60' rd. pen, \$795; all include 4' bow gate. Michael Passman, Amite; (985) 748-5094.

Okra cutters, hand operated, \$90/1-up; custom-made motorized cutters, \$500/1-up, advanced deposit required. Franklin Courvelle, Opelousas; (337) 407-0188.

Round pen, fiberglass material, each panel is 5'x12', 50' rd. pen, w/o bow gate, \$995; add panels as needed for \$77/1. Larry Fontenot, Lake Charles; (337) 855-0629.

Fiberglass farm gates, \$73/10'; \$79/12'. Deb Fontenot, Lake Charles; (337) 855-0629.

Several hundred ³/₄" sucker rods, \$8/1, at farm; \$9, del. T. L. Enright, Sr., Sicily Island; (318) 389-5395.

2 3/8" tubing, 75¢/ft.; 2 7/8" tubing, 80¢/ft.; 3 ½", 90¢/ft.; 7" casing, \$5/ft.; 8 5/8" casing, \$6/ft. Gene Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

Completely mobilized hydraulic conveyor belt, 18" width, 4 cyl. Wisconsin engine, reaches up 85'-150', folds up to tow behind pickup, \$3000 obo. W. C. Brister, Metairie; (504) 456-6530.

17" Michael Meaux cutting saddle, excel. cond., \$1000. A. T. Whittington, Lecompte; (318) 473-2385 or (318) 447-4425.

Rebuilt injection pump & injectors, for Onan engine, model MDJE, excel. shape, \$150. B. Bergeron, Eunice; (337) 457-1909.

Steel structural pipe, 4" OD, \$2/ft; 4 ½" & 5" OD, \$3/ft., 30'-40' lengths. F. E. Van Hook, Arcadia; (318) 263-2307.

Sears Craftsman lawn mower, 18 hp, 44" cut, trac. type, \$700; '91 Honda 4x4 front & back rack, gun rack, front winch, new tires, \$2500; 21"x24"x58" galv. show box, w/padded top & dolly, \$225. Bubba Reed, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4976.

Sausage stuffer, 1 ½-gal., \$225; 2-gal., \$250; like new jambalaya pot, \$150. Curtis Stelly, Fordoche; (225) 637-3375 or (225) 625-4580.

(2) Used steel sheets, 4'x8'x¹/₄", \$75/1. Harry Allan, Ponchatoula; (985) 386-8260.

Galvanized sq. tubing, 2 ½"x2½", 91¢/ft.; 2 ½"x2½", \$1/ft.; 2"x3", 95¢/ft.; 7/8" x7/8", 30¢/ft. Colton Terrell, Kentwood; (985) 514-0722.

17 ga. 1 ½"x1 ½" blk. tubing, 26¢/ft.; 1" sch. 40 blk. pipe, 38¢/ft; 2 3/8" drill stem, \$23/1; 2 7/8" drill stem, \$27/1. E. H. Welch, Kentwood; (985) 229-8590.

Rd. pens, 40', \$575; 60', \$775; 80', \$1030, all are galv. & have 6'

ride-through gate; 5'x10' panels, \$40/1. Carl Barlow, Pride; (225) 603-5610.

Sawmill, w/50" circular saw, & 12' carriage \$2500. John Briscoe, Elton; (337) 584-2751.

DeLaval 78 vacuum pump, tanks & motor, used about 4 yrs., \$1200; Z bars & grates for milking parlor, \$200/1. Austin Casanova, Amite; (985) 748-7363.

Heartwood comm., portable diesel band-saw mill, 2-way cut, 6" dbl. edged blade, 80 hp Perkins tandem axles, 500 hrs., \$29,500. Herbert M. LeJeune, Oakdale; (337) 639-2953.

Kerosene heater, in box, \$75. John Reynaud, Convent; (225) 562-0255.

(2) Galv. "I" beams, 20', W10-49, 10" wide flange beam, 49 lb./ft., \$250/1. Nolan Miller, Ragley; (337) 725-6999.

2400 Volt transfer pump, auto start, 250 hp, 1500 gpm, Hertz 60, amps 55.5, 3560 rpm, 3 phase, Pro Pump Inc, stainless steel Hydro 935 PSI, \$3000. Irvin Settoon, Plaquemine; (225) 545-8533.

Spray rig, on trailer, PTO pump & spray wand, 125-gal. tank, \$300 or trade; 3 pt. posthole digger, 9" & 4" augers, \$200 obo. Ronald Guidroz, Iowa; (337) 487-6955.

Roping saddles, barely used, excel. cond., Circle Y, Hereford, Simpco, \$300/1-up. Charles Casanova, Holden; (225) 294-2585.

"Big Horn" blk. parade saddle, 15" seat, lots of silver & tappaderos, w/matching silver breast collar, excel. cond., \$425; new blk. McClellan officer's saddle, \$330. Ed Durr, Jr., Amite; (985) 748-5556.

"Circle Y" barrel saddle, padded seat & rawhide covered stirrups, very good cond., \$325; "Circle Y" pleasure type saddle, w/square skirts & silver trim, very good cond., \$385. Paul Durr, Amite; (985) 748-5556.

Water softener system, resin cylinder, brine tank, timer, excel. cond., used 1 yr., paid \$750, asking, \$350 obo. Barry Wilcoxon, Plaquemine; (225) 659-5833.

Log splitter, for 3 pt., will split any size log, \$450. James McKean, Greensburg; (225) 222-6020.

Sunbeam Clipmaster deluxe, solid state variable spd. control, model# EW610, kept indoors, excel. cond., \$99.99. Gayle Romero, New Iberia; (337) 364-9100.

Brand new leather English chaps, \$40; wall mount saddle rack, \$10; English saddle cushion, blk., \$5; Australian saddle blanket, \$10; Western bridle, w/reins, bit &

curb, \$10. Debby Sharbaugh, Ethel; (225) 683-4919.

Elec. steam cleaner, 1000 psi, 3-gal./min. stainless steel, \$800. Skeet Cooper, Jena; (318) 992-2206.

Silage bagger, silopress, good cond., ready to work, bag size 8' x 150', 150 tons, \$3500. Bill Fuller, Kinder; (337) 738-2522 or (337) 224-4560.

3" Low line, for milking system, \$1500; 17-ton feed bin, \$1500; liquid syrup tank, \$200; auto pipeline washer, \$150; bulk tank washer, \$150; 3 hp motor, \$200; (2) vacuum pumps, \$200/1; (2) barn fans, \$75/1. Robert Stewart, Franklinton; (985) 848-5668

Water well drilling rig, on 8000 Ford truck, w/new engine, 8" rebuilt rotary 4 ½" Kelly, w/rebuilt 3" swivel, 5x8 Gardner of Denver mud pump, \$21,000. G. W. Gentry, Many; (318) 256-3613.

Ridgid 535 elec. pipe threader, \$1200; Lincoln 300 amp dc welder, 6 cyl. gas, on trailer, \$2500. Shawna Harper, Sieper; (318) 793-4285.

Rear-tine tiller, Yard Machine, put out by MTD, excel. cond., like new cond., used only 5 times, paid \$550, asking, \$400. Paul Touchet, Church Point; (337) 207-7532.

Cypress lumber, 65¢/board ft. Willie LaCaze, Pitkin; (318) 358-

3314.

250-gal. sq. portable tank, for molasses, water or diesel, can be used as cistern water catch., \$150. Ted Motlow, Carencro; (337) 896-0859.

Re-lift pump, 8", very good cond., 18" long, PTO driven, \$750. Terry LeBlanc, Kinder; (337) 738-5743.

Vertical stone grist mill, sits on 4-post, \$1200; small forge, w/Ranchet blower, \$250. Lester Fuselier, Eunice; (337) 457-4265.

Homelite chain saws, (1) super XL, 20", like new, \$195; (1) XL w/14" & 10" bars, very good, \$75. Leroy Goetzmann, Scott; (337) 873-8063.

French Antarries jump saddle, new, grain leather, \$2650; carbette dressage, 18", \$799. Leanna Meaux, New Orleans; (504) 283-8105.

(6) Utility poles, 35' long, \$1.5/per ft. Bob Shoalmire, Powhatan; (318) 352-0355.

(100) used "T" posts, 48", good cond., 75¢/1 for (20) or more; 60¢/1 for (40) or more taken. Ed Dugas, Carencro; ead9743@louisiana.edu or (337) 896-4335.

Heavy-grade steel tanks, 8' x 10', used for liquid feed, all discharge connections, \$100; (1) 500-gal. steel tank, good shape, \$50. Tim Johnson, Ville Platte; (337) 363-7570 or (337) 363-0187.

3 Phase elec. motors, 20-200 hp, \$5/per hp; 6"-26" pipe, \$2.5/ft. & up; 5 hp Honda 2" water pump, w/hoses, \$300; portable engine hoist, 2 spd. ram & extendable boom, \$150. Morris Pitre, Opelousas; (337) 543-7289.

Wanted: horse walker, for 2 or 3 horses, w/motor that works, reasonably priced. Judy Hanks, Ragley; (337) 725-3303.

Wanted: calf squeeze chute, in good to fair cond. Algy Irvin, Thibodaux; (985) 448-1101 or (504) 427-0962.

Wanted: cattle guard, at least 16' wide. Barry Wilcoxon, Plaquemine; (225) 659-5833.

Wanted: garden tiller, in good cond. E. J. Flanagan, Hammond; (985) 345-1498.



Wanted: old slot machines, games, signs, etc. Ray, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-8739 or (225) 938-9366.

Wanted: old sugar or syrup kettles, any size. Kathy, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-8739 or (225) 938-9366.

2003 Year-End Rain Data

Location 2003 2003 Norm Norm Location LSU-Alexandria 45.59 61.45 Northwest LSU- Bossier City 60.08 42.90 52.07 Extreme/Average 55.27 39.55 55.86 **East-Central** Minden 48.84 Mooringsport 38.24 Bogalusa 62.76 64.77 Extreme/Average 39.55 49.76 LSU Baton Rouge 47.43 62.19 **NorthCentral** LSU-Clinton 55.56 64.00 56.23 LSU-Hammond LSU-Calhoun 54.45 68.21 64.74 49.79 55.75 Slidell 62.13 63.40 LTI-Ruston **ULM-Monroe** 50.46 58.84 Extreme/Average 65.17 62.74 48.91 Winnfield 60.18 **Southwest** Extreme/Average 51.05 54.90 DeRidder 58.68 62.29 Northeast Jennings 50.90 61.42 59.67 Lake Providence 47.02 59.91 LSU-Crowley 60.94 55.56 57.23 54.79 59.77 LSU-St. Joseph Extreme/Average LSU-Winnsboro 52.22 57.30 **Southcentral** 47.04 Tallulah 59.41 Donaldsonville 59.42 62.47 49.62 55.95 LSU-Jeanerette 63.21 62.95 Extreme/Average West-Central Morgan City 40.90 66.20 Leesville 58.58 59.42 45.27 Extreme/Average 61.90 LSU-Rosepine 45.83 59.94 Southeast 47.93 55.71 Natchitoches Galliano 57.84 66.14 Extreme/Average 45.27 53.88 Houma 58.08 64.31 Central NO Audubon Park 64.39 64.77 Alexandria 55.47 62.28 Reserve 60.87 65.52 58.93 62.27 Brusly 53.99 63.49 Extreme/Average 56.35 62.62 **State Averages** 58.35

Boat building,

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Serrette's son is working on his father's chaland project, but has yet to build a boat on his own.

"This is the first thing I've worked on," said David. "I'm apprenticing on this project, but I know I've got a lot to learn. When I'm ready I'll give it a try. I'll probably build something small, like a pirogue."

Just like he sought out master boat builders in his youth, Colvin said he has a young student named Curtis Hebert, who first approached him at a Jazz Festival exhibit when Curtis was but 12 years old.

"Curtis was interested in dugouts, but he was too young to handle the tools, but he has worked with me and has become a very good blacksmith on the side," Colvin said. "He's in his 20s now and he's going to work with me this summer. He hasn't built a boat by himself yet.

"I'm a hands-on teacher and I will teach him the way I was taught," Colvin said.

Both Colvin and Serrette exhibit their work at various folklife festivals, such as the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival, Monroe's Louisiana Folklife Festival and Lafayette's Festivals Acadiens, and at cultural attractions

like Vermilionville and the Center for Traditional Louisiana Boatbuilding.

Brassieur said that's significant in terms of preserving and sharing the Louisiana boat-building traditions.

"The advantage of public displays of boatbuilding is that it has the possibility to inspire. A visitor can be inspired by the skill and the knowledge to be able to build a boat. It can instruct and inspire people even though they never will build a boat. Tradition is not dead as long as it resides in the mind of someone who experienced it. It can always be revived."

Serrette will resume work on the chaland project at Vermilionville in February. Call (337) 233-4077 for more information.

Colvin will be displaying his work at the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival in April.

The lugger Serrette and Colvin built is on display at Laurel Valley Plantation in Thibodaux.

The Center for Traditional Louisiana Boatbuilding offers boatbuilding classes and welcomes any information on old wooden boats and old boats of the south Louisiana region. For more information call (985) 448-4626.

Agriculture & Forestry Today with Commissioner Bob Odom

Following its initial launch in November 2003, the Department of Agriculture and Forestry's online pesticide registration system has been used by pesticides distributors, manufacturers and wholesalers to register more than 2,600 products, Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry Bob Odom said.

State law requires all pesticide products, including livestock pharmaceuticals, to be registered with the department annually. There are about 11,000 products registered each year.

"This system is much more efficient than doing all of the work by hand through the mail. Prior to the introduction of online registration, it took two people two to three weeks to process 800 product registrations. Now, in most situations, one person can handle up to 800 in one day," Odom said. "That's a monumental

increase in productivity."

For those who do not wish to or cannot use the online registration, paper registration, or registration by mail, is still available.

"We want this system to work for everyone but we understand that some people are still not comfortable doing business online," Odom said. "The site is user-friendly and we also have a printable online help manual for anyone who experiences difficulty during registration."

Also included on the registration site are downloadable files of each registered product's label and material safety data sheet (MSDS), which can be used by agencies during clean up of spills and leaks. These documents can be viewed and printed by the general public. They can be accessed through the home page of the department's Web site, www.ldaf.state.la.us.

"Louisiana is the first state in the nation to have a downloadable and printable version of every pesticide label registered in the state available to the public," Odom said.

"Not only are we offering a valuable, timesaving option to the product registrants, but we're also making more pesticide information available to the general public. This goes a long way to educate and inform the people about the pesticides that are available for use in their state."

Odom said his department is working on plans to expand the online pesticide registration system to a regional program. Currently, there are several states interested in the regional program. Through the system, registrants would be able to register their pesticide products with each state involved in the program on one site.

They could also upload the product label and MSDS one time and all states would be able to view it.

"I'll be giving a presentation to other commissioners from throughout the country shortly and we'll finalize who would like to participate in the regional program," Odom said. "This is something that a lot of states are interested in doing, but Louisiana was the first to introduce. We're now being used as a model for other states."

Odom praised the smooth implementation of the online registration and gave credit to the project's advisory team made up of ag. and environmental staff from the department, computer programmers from the department and an outside consulting firm, and pesticide industry representatives.



Getting Ready for Mardi Gras

Mardi Gras Breakfast

2 lb. package frozen hash browns

1 link smoked sausage, chopped 1 lb. bulk pork sausage, cooked just past pink, not browned

1 small jar chopped pimento

1 can mushroom pieces

6 small green onions with tops, chopped

1 tsp Italian seasoning Salt and pepper to taste 1 (10 oz.) package sharp Longhorn cheese, grated

Place hash browns in bottom of 9x13 baking dish. Combine other ingredients except cheese and eggs. Break eggs and let them run through mixture. Add cheese and bake at 350 degrees for 40 or 45 minutes. Serve with fruit.

Mardi Gras Salad

1 small jar chopped pimentos

1 can petit pois (small green) peas
1 can French style green beans
1 l/2 cups diced celery
1 green pepper, diced
1 small onion, diced
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup vegetable oil
1 tablespoon salt

Drain juices from beans, peas and pimentos. Mix all ingredients in a large bowl. Let marinate in a covered bowl in refrigerator at least

3/4 cup vinegar

Mardi Gras Veggies

1/4 cup water
1 tsp. olive oil
2 strips
1 tsp. olive oil
3 tsp. olive oil
4 tsp. olive oil
5 tsp. olive oil
6 tsp. olive oil
7 tsp. olive oil

8 carrots, cut into julienne strips
2 large zucchini, cut into julienne strips
1 tsp. chopped garlic
1 tsp. Cajun seasoning
1 cup chicken broth

In saucepan, place water and olive oil. Add carrots and over medium-high heat, cook for 3 to 5 minutes or until crisp. Add zucchini, bell pepper, garlic, seasoning and chicken broth. Simmer covered for 3 minutes or until vegetables are crisp-tender.

Mardi Gras Beef Stew

12 hours.

2 lbs. boneless beef for stew
1/4 cup flour
3 tsps. salt
1/8 tsp. pepper
2 med. onions, thinly sliced
3 tbsp. bacon drippings/vegetable oil
1 (16 oz.) can tomatoes
1 clove garlic, minced
1 for gravy
1/4 tsp. basil
1/4 tsp. thyme
2 med. onions, thinly sliced
3 large potatoes, pared and halved
Flour for gravy

Mix flour, salt and pepper. Dredge meat in seasoned flour and brown in drippings in a large pot. Pour off drippings. Drain tomatoes. Add tomato liquid, garlic, basil, thyme and bay leaf to meat. Cover tightly and cook slowly 2 1/2 hours. Add onions and potatoes, cook 45 minutes longer. Add drained tomatoes and cook just until heated through. Discard bay leaf. Thicken cooking liquid for gravy, if desired.

Mardi Gras Beans & Rice

1/2 pound pork sausage1 cup uncooked regular rice2 cups water1 cup celery, chopped1 can tomatoes1 envelope Sloppy Joe mix1 can kidney beans, undrained

Brown sausage in large skillet. Add remaining ingredients; stir and mix well. Cover, simmer for 30 minutes, stirring often.

Mardi Gras Shrimp

1 stick butter 2 tsps. Creole seasoning 1 clove garlic 1/2 cup whipping cream 1 bunch green onions 8-12 oz. pasta

1 lb. shrimp

Melt butter, press garlic, chop onions; mix together. Peel shrimp, add to butter and sauté 4 minutes. Add seasoning, cream, and cooked pasta and toss together.

Mardi Gras Punch

12 oz. can frozen orange juice, thawed 12 oz. can frozen lemonade, thawed

1 quart apple juice, chilled

2 quarts ginger ale, chilled

Orange, raspberry and lemon-lime sherbert (1 pint each)

1 pint vodka (optional)

Mix all ingredients together, except sherbert. Add ice, then spoon or scoop sherbert so it floats on top.

Coming Your Way

Bull sale in Alex.

The Louisiana Bull Testing Association and the LSU AgCenter will host the 43rd Performance Tested Bull Sale beginning at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 20, at the show barn at Dean Lee Research Station in Alexandria.

Lunch will be served at noon.

All bulls for sale will be performance evaluated and screened. About 25-35 bulls of several breeds will be available, including yearlings and a few 16-18 month olds.

For more information, contact Danny Coombs at (318) 473-6528.

Angus association heifer, pair sale

The Louisiana Angus Association will hold its annual Angus Female Sale at noon, Saturday, March 13 at the Dean Lee Research Station in Alexandria.

Sixty lots of quality Angus pairs and bred or open heifers will be available

For more information, contact American Livestock Brokers at (662) 837-4904 or www.americanlivestockbrokers.com.

AgCenter moves livestock show

The LSU AgCenter's 69th annual Livestock Show will be held Feb. 7-14 at the Lamar-Dixon Expo Center in Gonzales.

This is the first year the show will be held in its new location.

Youth participating in the state livestock show have already competed in parish and district shows across the state.

Judges will select state champions in beef and dairy cattle, goats, hogs, poultry and sheep.

There will not be a rodeo in conjunction with the show this year, but a variety of other activities are planned.

Admission to most events is free.

The LSU AgCenter Livestock Show awards ceremony will be held at 5 p.m. Feb. 14.

For more information, visit these Web sites: www.agctr.lsu.edu/live-stockshow, www.lamardixonex-pocenter.com.

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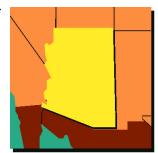
Arizona heifer positive for bovine TB

The Arizona Department of Agriculture announced in January a single heifer in a Pinal County dairy feeding operation tested positive for bovine tuberculosis (bovine TB). "The dairy feeding operation has been placed under quarantine," announced State Veterinarian Dr. Rick Willer.

While this heifer did not produce milk for human consumption, it must be noted milk or dairy products from a

bovine TB exposed or infected cow presents no danger to humans because of the required and enforced pasteurization process. Similarly, meat from an exposed or infected animal which is cooked properly - to an internal temperature of 160 degrees - presents no danger to humans.

Willer explained that there is no treatment for cattle infected with bovine TB, exposed cattle must be either tested or humanely euthanized. Since the time



from an animal's exposure to testing positive could be several months, eradication of the disease by relying on testing involves multiple tests conducted over many months.

Arizona has been declared free of bovine TB since 1978. Free status was temporarily suspended due to an incident in 1979 but was reinstated in 1981 after prompt elimination of the disease. With the appearance of the

disease in the Pinal County herd, unless the state is able to eliminate the affected herd within 90 days and confirm there has been no spread of the disease, Arizona may lose its free status.

The State Veterinarian and Arizona Department of Agriculture veterinary staff are working closely with United States Department of Agriculture officials to put into place the best course of action to eliminate the disease.

Hardwood nursery,

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Monroe," he said.

Baker said most of the planting he's doing is to reforest marginal agricultural plots.

"In the '60s and '70s a lot of bottomland was cleared for soybeans that should not have been and now is subject to erosion, so a lot of the planting efforts I'm doing is going to this kind of land," he said. "These reforestation efforts, especially in the Delta parishes, are going to be great for the wildlife. One day we're going to have new travel corridors for the black bear to roam freely."

Baker said there are nearly 100 contractors like him across the state that do hardwood seedling plantings for private and public landowners. Many of them buy from the Monroe location.

Typically the young trees are packed in bundles of 50, but the nursery also supplies more than 3,000, 6-packs of hardwood combinations for LDAF's annual shade-tree seedling sale, held throughout the state at district forestry offices in late February and early March.

"We provide some diversity in our seedling packs for the shade-tree sale because people like a mix, but the vast majority of what we sell is for landowners who are participating in small to large government cost-sharing reforestation projects," Gillett said

"We also deal with a lot of people over the counter that want to plant a yard or a few acres so we try to give them what they want."

The nursery has sold more than 5 million seedlings during its first two years of operation, although that figure can fluctuate based on the number of future large government reseeding programs

"We're only limited by the number of seeds we can procure," said Gillett. "That's why we've also started a long-range grafting program that will eventually provide us with mature trees that will, in turn, fulfill our hardwood seed needs."

The grafting project is only possible because of the extra room the Monroe facility provides, which the pine-hardwood facility in Columbia lacked.

Seeds are germinated in the nursery's warehouses and are planted in early spring in 550-foot beds.

A cypress planting yields about 18,000 seedlings in a single bed while others, like the cow oak, will

number around 6,000 in similar size beds. Gillett said ten beds each of cypress and cow oaks were planted in 2003.

The difference in the numbers is because the cow oak is leafier and produces a larger seedling than the cypress, which is essentially a bare stick with no leaves when it is harvested.

The seedlings are "lifted" or harvested in early winter. A tractor plows up the earth underneath the plant's roots system and "lifts" them out of the ground. A work crew follows behind and shakes off excess root dirt and packages the miniature trees into bundles of 50. A spray of water is applied to the roots and the bundles are loaded onto a trailing wagon and transported to the nursery's cooler where they await shipment.

Gillett said that his present work force has the capacity to process close to 40,000 seedlings daily. They try to only lift what they have orders for in a single day.

The main tree species propagated at the nursery are Nuttall oak, water oak, Shumard oak, cherrybark oak and sawtooth oak, but mayhaw, crabapple, green ash and bald cypress are also grown. In addition, deciduous holly, river birch, elm, hackberry and Russian olive are available.

The facility has also grown Osage orange (bois d'arc) seedlings and other less-in-demand species, including live oaks, wax myrtles, red mulberry and catalpa.

Charlie Matherne, LDAF reforestation chief, said the production of these non-commercial species is another service the state provides that private nurseries can't, or won't, do.

"We plant the wax myrtle for coastal restoration projects and the red mulberry is an important feeding plant for the migrating Alaskan warbler," he said. "We also grow live oaks because they are so significant to our cultural heritage even though they are not commercially viable."

"Sometimes we'll get a batch of seeds just to see if we can germinate them," Gillett added.

The hardwood nursery generated sales of more than \$450,000 in 2003 and expects to do more in the future

"A lot of it simply depends on demand," said Gillett.

Mo. farmers look at U.K. organics

Four Missouri farmers visited the United Kingdom last

month in



hopes of supplying feed ingredients, such as corn and soybeans, to the country's organic market.

The producers, accompanied by staff from the Missouri Department of Agriculture, began their trip in London, which served as their home base while they spent a week meeting with representatives from the United Kingdom's organic industry and touring organic operations. Their stops included an organic oilseed crushing facility, some organic dairy and poultry operations, and several grocery stores that carry organic products.

Grocery stores in the United Kingdom often dictate organic standards and practices, said Mark Hitt, a business development specialist with the agriculture department and the trip's coordinator. The stores' standards sometimes exceed government regulations, he said, so visiting retail outlets helped the group learn more about the country's organic requirements.

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Moss pickers even equipped small derrick towers in the boat to assist in their gathering chores.

The flatboat form also worked hand in hand with the gasoline engine to tame the Atchafalaya wetlands. One of the first motorized boats was known as the Atchafalaya basin bateau or "putt putt." A small inboard engine powered the bateau as it putt-putted across the swamp. It was the advent of the gasoline motor and the flat-bottomed bateau that allowed remote basin villages to have more communication, schooling and commerce with larger urban centers. The putt-putt was as common in the swamp as a Model-T automobile was in the city.

Milton Serrette, a boat builder from Henderson, said the putt-putt was his main transportation source as a young man. He boasted that he didn't set foot on dry land until he was twelve years old.

The development of the outboard engine worked extremely well with a shorter version of the bateau. Also called a joe boat or john boat, the aluminum fishing bateau is ubiquitous throughout the U.S. today.



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Clayton Hopper pilots a Fobro lifter through a bed of cow oaks (top). A following work crew handpicks the seedlings into bundles of 50 (clockwise from left above right): Vincent Lowery shakes excess dirt from the seedling roots, Calvin Travis counts out a bundle of seedlings, Cody Maxwell straps up a bundle of seedlings, Amos White shoots a spray of water onto the exposed roots before the bundle is loaded onto a wagon. Workers load a truck parked inside the refrigerated warehouse (right).



Marginal agricultural land clear-cut for high soybean prices in the 1970s is now being replanted with millions of hardwood seedlings thanks to state, federal and private programs.

LDAF hardwood nursery seeding future forests

The construction of a hardwoodonly state nursery in Monroe has proven to be a good move for Louisiana

Because of increased funding for federal, state and private cost-sharing hardwood reforestation programs, Louisiana hardwood nurseries are now producing nearly 20 million seedlings a year.

The state facility accounts for about 3.5 million of those seedlings annually.

"Government incentive programs are extremely valuable tools that support the investment by our private landowners in hardwood reforestation," said Agriculture and Forestry Commissioner Bob Odom. "Forestry continues to be a long-term, high-risk investment subject to international pressure and other factors so we want to make sure our planters are getting a superior seedling. That's why the state is in the hardwood nursery business."

"The seeds we use come mainly

from Louisiana," said Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) N u r s e r y Superintendent Doug Gillett. "That's one thing we have over the private nurseries. Our seedlings are grown from seed obtained within 100 miles of our nursery. This local-

source seed has the genetic characteristics that make the seedling best suited to our area."

A big advantage with the new facility is space and a tremendous capacity to expand. Gillett said the 150-acre farm has the potential to grow seven-million hardwood trees.

"We've got room to expand, to grow improved orchards, plus we have the capacity to store a halfmillion seedlings," Gillett said.

"In addition to being a new, modern facility, it's centrally locat-

Doug Gillett

ed to the tree sales. The people who buy the seedlings don't have to travel as far," he said.

Gillett said a combination of public and private groups make up the bulk of the facility's regular buyers. Government bodies such as the Louisiana Department

of Wildlife and Fisheries and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and corporations like Malmay Planting and Baker Land and Timber Management of Alexandria, purchase many of the hardwood seedlings on a yearly basis.

Donald Baker of Baker Land and Timber Management said he was very satisfied with the quality of the state hardwood nursery's product.

"I got about half of the 70,000 trees I planted last year from **See Hardwood nursery, page 10**





